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- **Many residents are not computer literate, cannot maneuver the FEMA website**
- **No administrative presence in the vulnerable community**
- **FEMA closed in Beaumont/Port Arthur and moved to Lumberton, an affluent community.**

**HOUSING DISPLACED RESIDENTS IN TENTS**

**Wharton**

**Need Vietnamese translations**

**Brazoria**

**No DRC in Brazoria County**

**Wharton**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided Orange County EOM with requested outreach materials in English and in Spanish.</li> <li>• Need Vietnamese translations.</li> <li>• Attended meeting with: USACE Orange County CLs, FEMA housing and emergency division lead, Orange County EOM and Deputy EOM, Bridge City Waste managers, Orange City Fire Chief, and Vider City Police Department representative.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1725 individuals from Orange City are currently registered with FEMA and staying in shelters outside the county that may be shutting down</li> <li>○ 597 individuals from Vider City are currently registered with FEMA and staying in</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ They requested outreach material and guidance for disaster recovery.</li> <li>○ They process between 20 and 30 walk ins per day with approximately 50 work orders filled daily to include but not limited to; muck out, demolition, debris removal, and more.</li> <li>○ Since 9/9/2017 they have completed approximately 300 work orders.</li> <li>○ They cover all of Jefferson, Orange, and Hardin counties.</li> <li>○ Contact with North Orange Baptist Church and met with Incident Commander of the Texas Baptist Men, a volunteer community organization</li> </ul> |
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<p>shelters outside the county that may be shutting down</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 6 individuals from West Orange City are currently registered with FEMA and staying in shelters outside the county that may be shutting down</li> <li>• Attended meeting Orange County community LEPC representatives. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sorting HHW debris piles is posing a problem and they feel like they could benefit from approved outreach materials</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>QUESTIONS/COMMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long term EPA support identified as a potential need due to lack of other resources</li> </ul>
<b>Harris</b>	
<p>Jason and Jake spent another day staffing an EPA table at the Baytown FEMA DRC and answered questions from the locals (approximately 60 families) impacted by the flood concerning mold remediation and clean up.</p> <p>The Team visited the Port Houston and Denver Harbor neighborhoods in Northeast Houston. Denver Harbor area, at I10 and Highway 90, which was hit hard by flood. Residents reported they had 4 feet of water during the flood. Numerous large debris piles noted on sidewalks (pictures attached). Residents reported debris has been picked up once earlier in the week but the pile quickly grew again.</p> <p>Team visited the Denver Harbor Multi-Service Center. The Center has a food pantry, senior services, and WIC. Spoke with Center representatives who reported it was best to get information out through the schools or medical providers or clinics.</p>	<p>Also spoke with Interfaith Ministries of Houston. They stated they had assessors and drivers who reach seniors through meals on wheels. They requested e-versions of the fact sheets to hand out with their donated cleaning supplies. They also asked if EPA could provide a speaker, in about a month, to train their assessors and drivers.</p> <p>The team attempted to visit the Mexican Consulate to ask if they had a way to reach Mexican residents. The Consulate was closed so Team will attempt to visit next week.</p> <p>The team also attempted to Faith Memorial Baptist Church, because residents reported the Church had played an integral role in their flood recovery. Residents stated the Church helped clean out their homes and provided food after the flood.</p>
<b>Jasper/Newton</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traveled to Newton County, Texas and met with citizens who were wondering about the large aircraft that was flying overhead and the mosquito</li> </ul>	<p><b>QUESTIONS/COMMENTS</b></p> <p>The Health Department still would like any brochures or information</p>

<p>spraying.</p> <p>We were able to relay the messaging provided to us just a day before when we sat down with the Jasper-Newton County Health District, including Dr. Danny Brechan, the director, and Angela Berry, environmental services coordinator.</p> <p>We explained that EPA was not doing the spraying (as they suggested) but it actually was being done by the state.</p> <p>We mentioned to them that the spraying is harmless to people. Two of the citizens remarked that they saw a lot of dead pests. Neighboring Jasper County was no longer going to receive mosquito spraying due to local social media protests by beekeepers and naturalists.</p> <p>County elected leaders, health officials and local citizens are very much interested in having a Disaster Response Center in Jasper County to allow more information to be shared with residents.</p> <p>Presently, our observations show that only EPA, Small Business Administration and a Salvation Army food truck are the only activity we have seen involving responders in Jasper and Newton counties.</p> <p>This is drastically needed in the middle and southern portion of both counties but the entire county needs assistance.</p> <p>We attempted to contact the TCEQ Region 10 coordinator but did not receive a call back today. We will continue to pursue that connection.</p>	<p>regarding aerobic treatment systems.</p> <p>They have questions regarding how to decontaminate systems that failed during the storm and flooding.</p> <p>Does EPA or TCEQ have documents explaining how to get the aerobic systems up and running properly?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If Jasper/Newton counties are afforded a Disaster Response Center, the team is ready to staff it with brochures and flyers already available.</li> </ul> <p><b>COMMUNITY CONCERNS</b></p> <p>Debris is still piled along the streets and roads, especially in Deweyville.</p> <p>We have not heard confirmation on whether a contract has been let by the counties to pick up debris.</p> <p><b>It also does not appear that debris is being segregated from building and construction debris.</b></p> <p>Several churches and schools had large piles of debris and people still working to clean out the buildings.</p> <p>Roads, bridges and infrastructure continues to be a concern in both counties with many of the roads that are normally used for school bus routes in need of drastic repair after being washed out by extensive flooding.</p> <p>The team visited an area near the South Toledo Bend Reservoir where storm waters have washed away the earth under the bridge pilings causing its closer.</p> <p>The absence of recovery activities in the two counties makes it difficult to gauge whether the counties are going to be able to begin to</p>
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	work toward normalcy. With the school districts trying to get all the schools back in operation, it will continue to labor under the absence of federal and state assistance.
<b>Montgomery</b>	
<p>Visit to Montgomery County EOM office to pick up supplies to put together informational packets</p> <p>Provided assistance to County Public Health District office to assemble information packets for distribution</p>	<p>Outreach by phone to multiple organizations to identify locations needing information being shared with the counties.</p>
<b>Fort Bend</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Received a text message from Jeff Braun with the Fort Bend County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) checking in with us about whether we connected with the Fort Bend County Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Told him we'd been unable to connect with HHS and that we'll be at the Fort Bend Recovers County Communication Event on Saturday, 9/16/17.</li> <li>Visited the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks Lodge #151 located at 10150 W. Airport Blvd, Stafford, TX. Spoke with Dr. Michael Callahan, Treasurer (<a href="mailto:michael.j.callahan@LoneStar.edu">michael.j.callahan@LoneStar.edu</a>), 281-765-7772. He mentioned that they were having an open house on Thursday. Sent email with all the approved factsheets.</li> <li>Visited the American Red Cross office located at 2610 B.F. Terry Blvd, Rosenberg, TX, 77471, which serves Fort Bend, Wharton, Waller, Austin, and Colorado counties. Spoke with Dave Spilman, Volunteer DPM (<a href="mailto:david.spilman@redcross.org">david.spilman@redcross.org</a>), 832-361-1331. They had just received bleach and other supplies and were very grateful to be provided with factsheets on how to disinfect drinking water. Sent email with all approved factsheets.</li> <li>Dropped off copies of factsheets to Simonton DRC. They still wanted us to send the electronic approved factsheets to Cindy Wirz, Deputy CEO Group Supervisor (<a href="mailto:Cynthia.wirz@fema.dhs.gov">Cynthia.wirz@fema.dhs.gov</a>) located at the JFO in Austin, TX</li> <li>Dropped off copies of factsheets to Katy DRC (see photos below). Spoke with Barbara Young, FEMA Mitigation CEO Specialist (<a href="mailto:Barbara.young@fema.dhs.gov">Barbara.young@fema.dhs.gov</a>), 202-710-6188</li> </ul>	
<b>Liberty</b>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met with Savannah Carihfield, Property Manager for Terrenos Houston, CH&amp;P Management, 1712 North Frazier, Suite 216, Conroe, TX 77301 (936-570-0132) <a href="http://www.chpmanagement.com">www.chpmanagement.com</a>.</li> <li>• Terrenos Houston is an unincorporated area within Liberty County bordering the City of Plumgrove.</li> <li>• Performed a drive-by of some portions of Plumgrove and saw evidence of flooding and debris.</li> <li>• Extremely poor community but no evidence of flooding.</li> <li>• Savannah indicated the Terrenos Houston area was not impacted by flooding however, she was still receptive to receiving the EPA Fact Sheets which we indicated we would send to her electronically (<a href="mailto:savannah@chpmanagement.com">savannah@chpmanagement.com</a>).</li> <li>• Savannah provided us with several contacts that she felt would be helpful.</li> <li>• Contacts include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Larry McMillan (ex-mayor of Plumgrove (281-689-0087, 281-723-5330 cell). Leanne Walker (mayor)</li> <li>Alexis Cordova -AgriLife (512-787-3598) Assistant</li> <li>Kristy (832-480-4831)</li> <li>Jim Clark – Montgomery County, Pct 4 (936-443-3561)</li> <li>Montgomery County</li> <li>Maria Jordan – Texas Familias Council (832-527-7251)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Savannah also recommended we attend the Montebello Park, Celebrate Health Communities, 3399 CR 3479 B, Cleveland, TX 77327 on November 4, 2017 from 1:00-4:00pm (936-570-0132, 281-592-6714 or 936-334-3230.</li> </ul> <p>Outreach in Conroe (Montgomery County) --a Lowes truck handing out buckets with cleaning supplies.</p> <p>Team stopped to talk to workers about potentially adding EPA Fact Sheets to cleaning supplies buckets.</p> <p>Workers indicated they believe the cleaning supply buckets have been delivered to their indicated communities. However, will check with management at Lowes to determine and send us an e-mail. Also, one worker gave us the following e-mail <a href="mailto:candie.a.ham@store.loews.com">candie.a.ham@store.loews.com</a></p>
<b>Brazoria/Galveston</b>	
<b>Brazoria County:</b>	<b>Galveston</b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We delivered fact sheets to what seems to be the biggest house of worship in the town of Brazoria – the First Baptist Church.</li> </ul> <p>Pastor Greg Smith was overseeing a significant relief effort there and will be making additional copies of our fact sheets. He had supplies of a commercial mold-removal product, ShockWave, that he says he and church members are using to good effect.</p> <p>It's expensive ~\$44 a jug.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Return to Brazoria County tomorrow to deliver fact sheets to other churches.</li> </ul> <p>Still no DRC in the county...</p>	<p>Team staffing a table at the county's sole FEMA DRC, currently managed by Richard Galier. We will be here until early evening tonight and for some part of the day tomorrow (Saturday). It's open 7A-7P.</p> <p>We will attend FEMA's town hall tomorrow afternoon – scheduled for 3-5 PM in Dickinson.</p> <p><b>QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:</b> Residents are asking what moisture level they need to get their wood down to inhibit mold growth.</p> <p><b>COMMUNITY CONCERNS:</b> No DRC in Brazoria County!!!</p>
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#### Beaumont/Port Arthur

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participated in the morning command briefing.</li> <li>Participated in the 8:30 a.m. daily conference call.</li> <li>Toured the Bevel Oaks community, one of the hardest hit in Jefferson County.</li> <li>Visited the City of Beaumont's Office of Emergency Management Tim Ocnaschek, EMC</li> <li><b>Met with staff at the Clinica Juanita and the Clinica San Lucas</b></li> <li>Visited and met with Rev. Randy Vaughn, Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, Port Arthur <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FEMA DRC location</li> <li>Concerns are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community is hurting</li> <li>Services and answers are resting in other cities</li> <li>No direct access</li> <li>People sitting 3-4 hours to talk to someone</li> <li>Some residents are not computer literate, cannot maneuver the FEMA website</li> <li>No administrative presence in the vulnerable community</li> <li>FEMA left the church today to move to Lumberton, an affluent community</li> <li>Housing displaced residents in tents.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>Contacted the Mexican Heritage Society of Port Arthur for a possible meeting with Board members.</li> <li>Contacted Port Arthur and Beaumont chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Will contact the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Santa Theresa Catholic Church.</li><li>• Made the following appointments:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Monday, 9/18 at 2 p.m.; meet with Councilman Audwin Samuel, Beaumont</li><li>○ Monday, 9/18 at 5 p.m. meet with the Black Minister's Alliance in Port Arthur</li><li>○ Tuesday, 9/19 at 9 a.m.; meet with Lesly Johnson, Legacy Community Health</li></ul></li></ul>	
<b>Harris Baytown DRC</b>	
<p>We set up a table at Baytown starting at 07:00 throughout the day with the plan to have a presence until close.</p> <p>As of 15:30 we had 60 families stop and obtain information; primarily on cleanup and mold with some more interest on information on private wells and septic.</p>	<p><b>COMMUNITY CONCERNS</b></p> <p>A few residents ask questions and/or made observation on the continuous flaring at the facilities close by and had concerns about the current air quality.</p>